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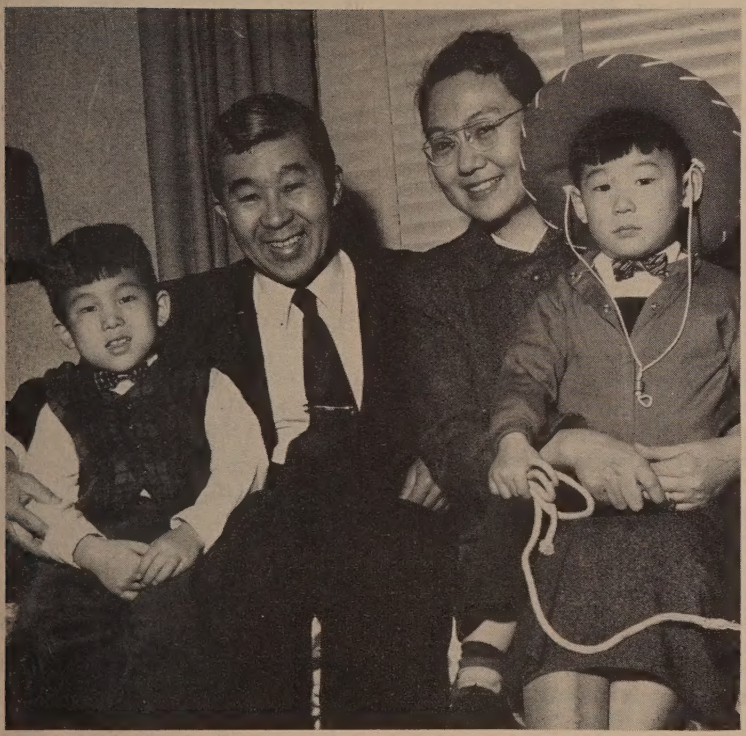

PARSONAGE FOLKS AT PARTRIDGE

Rev. and Mrs. Sadaichi Asai
Paul Mark and David John

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In Memory

Dr. Marion Whetstone Baker, 91, resident of Topeka from 1912 to 1956, died at his home in Pasadena, Cal., on April 4, 1959. Dr. Baker earned his BD degree from Yale Divinity School and his Ph.D. from Wabash College in Indiana. He was ordained to the Christian ministry in 1896, transferring to the Congregational Fellowship in 1911. In Kansas he served our Russell and St. Marys churches

During his semi-retirement in Topeka he served 12 years as Chaplain at the Security Benefit Hospital. From 1941 to 1956 he was Chaplain of the Senate. His prayers, recorded in the minutes of the Senate, were never empty words; they were timely and meaningful supplications as noted in these words from a prayer on March 25, 1955 offered while a blizzard was raging; "Our Father God, grant that this storm may remind man that difficulties mean discipline, and that adversities develop character. Free us from bondage to things and circumstances. Confirm us in the assurance that all works together for good to those who walk in thy ways."

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June 14-27

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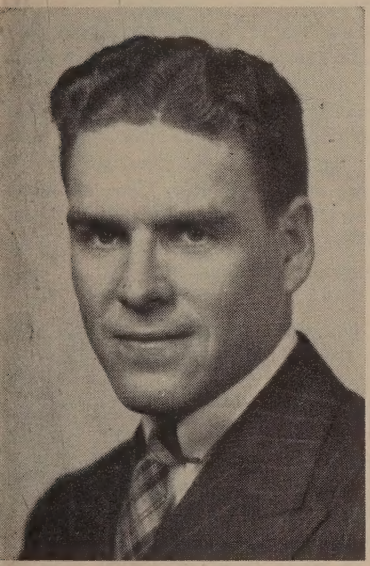

Charles D. Armstrong, Muscotah Conference Moderator

"Which Niche?"

Recently, after attending the first day of our American Board Seminar in Topeka, four young men and myself found ourselves in the Rymphs' third floor dormitory lying on our cots ready for sleep, but with much on our minds. One of the boys finally broke the silence by saying, "These great leaders of ours certainly make me feel like there is a niche somewhere in this old world of ours for all of us to serve somehow!"

Out of the darkened corner across the room came the questioning reply, "Which niche?" I find myself turning that provocative phrase over in my mind again and again. The theme for our State Conference was "Churchmanship For Our Time." This seemed only another way of saying, "which niche?"

J. C. Penney in his book, "Lines of a Layman," says, "The layman should give himself, his talents, his experience and support to the church. The church in turn should offer greater opportunity for spiritual growth to the layman. It should help him see the necessity of bridging the gap between the practical and the spiritual, and then counsel him as he proceeds to take the steps which will result in spiritualizing all of his daily contacts."

Such a layman as J. C. Penney realizes what churchmanship for our time requires of us . . . and rewards to us! His words offer a challenge to us, both as individuals and churches.

This year our responsibility to the future of Christianity will be highly emphasized through CHEF (Christian Higher Education Fund.) We of the Kansas Congregational Christian Conference have accepted our goal of $117,000.00 as our share of the $7,500,000.00. This goal can be achieved by each of us doing our part in our local churches.

The development of the United Church of Christ will be watched by all of us with hopeful hearts and prayers as we "move on together."

Within our own conference, our newer churches and their extension should be of the utmost concern to all of us. They need our help in the construction of facilities that will give adequate witness in the communities they serve.

As we search for our niche . . . where we can best serve . . . let us rest our thoughts on the words of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, "I do not know what your destiny will be, but this one thing I do know - that no one of you will ever be truly happy until he has sought and found how he may serve."

Charles D. Armstrong

Our Cover Picture

In presenting the Partridge Parsonage People we want also to tell you of the service of installation held for Sadaichi Asai on April 12, when pastors and delegates of churches in the Southern Association gathered at the Partridge Community Church to listen to his statement of Christian experience and belief.

Born in Los Angeles of Buddhist parents. Mr. Asai and his sister became interested in the Christian way of life during high school years. When asked to discuss something of his experiences in one of the rehabilitation camps in the desert lands of Arizona, he recounted only favorable high-lights - it was there that he met his wife Marian; it was through people and experiences there that his mother and his wife-to-be decided to become Christians; it was there that the urge to become a Christian minister took root. He stated also that moving the Japanese American people out of their congested, clustered groups on the west coast has helped greatly in scattering them throughout the United States where they have found opportunities for a more abundant life.

Mr. Asai is a graduate of the University of California and Andover Newton Theological Shool. He served Congregational Churches in Cornwall, Whiting, Salisbury and Jericho, Vermont before coming to Partridge last September. His wife Marian is an efficient helpmate with unusual artistic talent and a busy mother. Their two adopted boys - Paul Mark, 5 years, of Korean parentage and David John, 3 years, of Japanese descent, are typical little American cow-boys.

A sumptuous courtesy supper was served by the host church. Highlighting the evening Installation Service, presided over by Mr. Percy Shue, was music by a fine choir, directed by Mrs. Lyle Anderson. Dr. L. M. Rymph brought the message and the Rev. Julian Johnson, former pastor at Partridge, gave the charge to the Minister. Others taking part included, Rev. Carl Hathaway of Udall, Rev. Clarence Kilde, Wichita Fairmount, Rev. Elmo Paff, Wichita Mayflower and Rev. Louis Poppe of Whitewater.

CHEF

Declarations of Intention are coming in from Kansas churches. Has yours been sent? Two copies should be sent to the Conference Office in Topeka and one copy kept for local church files.

Payments on CHEF pledges should also be sent to the Conference Office clearly marked.

A special packet of CHEF materials will be mailed to all ministers in June. This packet from the National CHEF Office will include a copy of the new brochure and samples of other materials to be used by the local church. Quantities of materials such as pledge cards and envelopes for the local church should be ordered direct from the National Office, 287 Fourth Avenue N. Y. City.

Sunday, September 27, 1959 has been designated by our fellowship as Christian Higher Education Sunday. It is hoped that every minister will emphasize and give interpretation to the program on that Sunday.

Laymen's Churchmanship Workshop

The sixth annual meeting of this group will be held at Lawrence Plymouth this year on September 19 and 20. An outstanding program is being arranged by Charles Gunn, State President and his officers.

Miss Mildred Widber
Guest Leader

Christian Education Workshop

A delightful experience of study, inspiration and fellowship for Church School workers is being set up by your Christian Education Committee under the leadership of Mrs. Carl Georgeson, July 5-10 at Central Church in Topeka. The sessions will begin at 7:30 on Sunday evening, July 5 and close following lunch on Friday the 10th.

Leaders

Miss Mildred Widber of Chicago, Secretary of the Department of Leadership and Field Program of the Division of Christian Education will present basic foundations of Christian Education each morning. Miss Widber, an expert in her field is well-known in our Kansas fellowship. The Rev. Paul Davis will present a course in Church History each morning at 9:00. The Rev. Edwin Mehlhaff will serve as Chaplain, bringing Morning Devotions and Evening Vespers. Mrs. Kenneth Martin and her Children's Committee will be helping.

Age Groups

Two sessions each day will be given over to age groupings under expert leadership with time for exchange of ideas, discussion of problems and consideration of new methods and materials. What a rare opportunity! Each evening will be given over to a different phase of work - perhaps The Church and the Family, The Worker's Conference, An All-Church Project, or similar interests.

For Your Comfort

The meetings will be held in air-conditioned rooms in the beautiful remodeled Central Church. Lodging will be arranged in homes of nice Topeka people. Lunches and dinners will be served reasonably at the church. Each person will fend for himself at breakfast - ham and eggs or a cup of coffee and a roll - as you wish. There are eating places near-by.

What Will It Cost?

The total cost to be sent with each registration will not exceed $17.00. Your church should pay at least half the cost for two or three of your most promising workers.

Talk with your Church School Leaders.

SAVE THE DATES
July 5-10

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Meals For Millions

Vacation Church School offerings, especially in Cooperative Schools, could well be sent to the Conference Office for this worthy project.

"In Recognition"

At the Friday evening dinner of the 104th Annual Meeting of the Kansas Congregational Conference held in Plymouth Church, Wichita, the following tribute was paid to Dr. and Mrs. L. Merle Rymph, who complete 20 years of service with the Kansas Conference the first of September.

It was moved by Judge Dean McElhenny of Topeka, seconded by Dr. George Ogden Kirk, and passed by the Conference that the remarks of the Moderator, the Rev. Ray Carlton Jones, be included in this issue of Congregational Kansas:

"This evening we want to take a few moments to pay tribute to Dr. L. Merle Rymph, who 20 years ago was elected Superintendent at the Annual Meeting of the Kansas Conference. In 1939 when he came into office, it was the tail end of the depression years and the conference was deeply in debt. He had been in his new position only a few years when World War II broke out. Merle Rymph not only saw his own sons leave for service, but he had to serve many churches whose ministers volunteered for the war-time emergency.

"The last 20 years have seen the conference make substantial gains financially. They have been marked by the establishment of four new churches in growing metropolitan areas and by an increased sense of stewardship responsibility. The youth program at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga has expanded. All in all, Merle Rymph has been a wise leader.

"As minister to the ministers, Merle Rymph has offered thoughtful counsel and an understanding spirit. He has been ready to serve, literally at any hour of the day and night. A fitting text for these 20 years might be, 'Not to be ministered unto, but to minister.'

"Merle Rymph is known as a respected churchman. I have sat with him at several comity committee meetings and no one has a fuller grasp of comity than he. At national meetings of our denomination he is highly regarded.

"Finally, Merle Rymph has been a loyal member of Topeka First Church. On Sunday morning he has been conspicuous by his absence, but as his pastor, I can state that he has always been there when needed.

"Standing by Merle Rymph's side through these 20 years has been Ruth Rymph, lending support at every point, both as wife and secretary. She has worked devotedly in the conference office and on the field handling thousands of details and prodding, when prodding was needed. Besides her office duties, she has also kept her home, the state parsonage, at 1400 MacVicar, a center of hospitality and fellowship for all.

"Truly this has been a great team and we etxend our warmest best wishes and heartiest congratulations as they commence their 21st year in September."

After this tribute was paid, on behalf of the conference, the Laymen's Fellowship and the Women's Fellowship, Mr. Jones presented the Rymphs with two suitcases. During the conference a sum of money was collected to go along with the gift of the luggage." Ray Jones, reporting

Thank You

To all those who had a part in the tribute and gifts at State Conference and to those who have written kindly letters since, we express sincere gratitude. Our years among you have been happy ones.

Ruth and Merle Rymph

About State Conference

Many have remarked about the fine spirit which pervaded throughout the Conference - a spirit of congenial cooperation, a spirit of sincere, warm fellowship. All agreed that the efficiency, precision and graciousness with which the Conference Moderator, the Rev. Ray Carlton Jones, guided the sessions, was superb. None who listened to the potent words of the Rev. Paul Davis, Conference Chaplain, could return home without some analysis of his reason for being. Copies of his three meditations are available at the Conference Office.

Our Guests

One could not sit at the feet of Ray and Dora Phillips without amazement at the terrific impact their lives have made on the great continent of Africa these past forty years. Thousands of Wayfarers, Pathfinders, Sunbeams, Home-Builders, Social Workers, families with homes instead of huts—and we could go on indefinitely—all because of their vision and committment to Kingdom Building.

Few Pilgrims to our mission fields in the uttermost parts of the world can return with an interpretation so vivid and moving as the one given by Dr. Jess Norenberg, Superintendent of the Wisconsin Conference. It was so good of him to come to us and tell the story.

The challenge of Our Christian Higher Education Fund was forcefully presented by our former Kansas Minister, the Rev. C. Fosberg Hughes in his message, "Hazards and Helps from a Heritage."

Our Hosts

Dr. George Ogden Kirk, assisted by his staff and people, was a perfect host. From early morning until late at night he was around asking, "What can we do for you?" The spacious well-equipped plant was more than adequate. The Sunday morning services were highlighted with music and messages which inspired and challenged.

For the record, there were 317 people registered and many others who attended one or more sessions. There were about 1,058 meals served by Plymouth's efficient Catering Committee. There were 93 guests housed in homes.

In One Accord

"It couldn't happen to a nicer guy" was thought or uttered in one accord at the Saturday dinner at Conference when recognition was given to "Doc" Wilbert E. Dull for almost 50 years of humble service to Kansas Churches.

"Doc" likes the wrist watch which was given him as a token of appreciation. Both "Doc" and Mattie like the home they have purchased at 3118 N. Central (Highway 75 almost a mile north of the Cloverleaf). Pictured below, we think you will agree that it is just right for them - solid, substantial, attractive, comfortable, on a hillside overlooking the city. May you enjoy it together for many years is the wish of your many friends in the Conference.

Nominating Committee

The new Conference Nominating Committee, representative of the three Associations is: Carl Georgeson, Chairman, Millard Marshall and Merton Rymph.

The Associations

Eastern Association announced their fall meeting for October 1st at Kansas City Ruby with the Rev. Robert M. Rymph as Host Pastor. Transferred into the Association were the Rev. J. Edward Robinson and the Rev. Arthur J. Jones of the Congregational Union of England and Wales and the Rev. Ray Haun of Nebraska. The Rev. Roy Hanson was granted a license. Mr. Perc Rayl of Welborn is the new Moderator and the Rev. W. S. Stevenson, Registrar.

Western Association voted to have a one day meeting this fall to be held Monday, October 5 at Lenora, with the Rev. John Becker, Host Pastor. The Rev. John Fitzgerald was received into the Association and a license was granted to David Cutting. The Rev. Ed Brantz is the new Moderator.

Southern Association will meet on October 6 at Sedgwick with the Rev. Owen Prince and his people. Licenses were granted to Ross Shinn and Henry Lumpkins of Towanda. Otis Schweiter and John Allen of Wichita Plymouth were taken "in care" of the Association. The new President is, the Rev. Clarence Kilde of Wichita Fairmount.

State Conference - 1960

The dates are April 22, 23 and 24. The Conference was delighted to accept the invitation of the Great Bend Congregational Church to hold next year's meeting in their new plant, with the Rev. Ed Brantz as Host Pastor. Under the guidance of Mr. Charles Armstrong of Muscotah as Moderator and Mrs. Charles Gunn Assistant, we look forward to State Conference - 1960.

United Church Committte

On recommendation of the Conference Board of Trustees and by vote of the Conference, the Kansas delegates to the Uniting Synod to be held at Oberlin, July 5-9 are to make up a Conference Committee on the United Church of Christ. They are: Rev. Ned Burr McKenney, Mr. Roscoe Graves, Mr. Dan Hopkins, Rev. Ray Carlton Jones, Mrs. Charles Gunn and Superintendent, L. M. Rymph.

Ministers' Salaries

We are getting inquiries about what is included in the "average salary" figure for the National Year Book, as quoted in Dr. Rymph's State Conference report. This is not surprising as this year's figures result from the following instructions from New York:

"It was voted at the last meeting of the Year Book Committee that an explanation be made concerning the basic items which are to be included in the average salary. The vote follows:

"In order to establish a uniform practice throughout, the minister's salary should include the annual cash salary, allowance for car or transportation amount paid by the church toward Annuity Fund dues, and other allowances (utilities, etc.). Honoraria and gifts should not be included.

In past years, our Kansas figures included only the annual cash salary figuring the average.

Wentling Service

On Sunday afternoon, May 3, representatives of 13 Eastern Association churches met at Muscotah to hear the statement of Christian experience and belief of the Rev. Richard T. Wentling. A service of Limited Ordination followed a courtesy supper given the host church. Participating were the Reverend Ogden, Robinson, Jones, Marshall, Englemann, Martin, Davidson, Haun, Dull, Merle and Robert Rymph, also Mr. Perc Rayl, Eastern Moderator.

KANSAS CHURCHES and DOANE COLLEGE

by

Ned Burr McKenney

Fellowship in Frees Dining Hall at Doane

Historically, we Congregationalists need yield to no one in our concern for higher education. It is amazing to me that just six years after the Puritans landed in Boston they had started a Christian college - Harvard. It was established by our Congregational forebears because they believed deeply in the power of the trained mind and in the importance of a well-educated leadership for their churches and communities.

That was only the beginning. As the years passed, our Congregational fathers started a succession of distinguished institutions across the country—Yale, Dartmouth, Amherst, Oberlin, Grinnell, Washburn, Fairmount, Pomona, to mention only a few. Among these colleges is Doane at Crete, Nebraska, now beginning its second century of liberal, Christ-oriented higher education.

As Christians we must be concerned about the quality of all higher education. We must be concerned with what is happening to our young people on the campuses of large state universities and that the Christian influence is felt there. We are also concerned, and we believe that there is a vitally important place, for the smaller, private church-related colleges. If the Christian college is to exist and make its vital contribution to the welfare of our country and our churches, the churches must support it.

As a denomination, we are now engaged in the Christian Higher Education Fund effort to assure a Christian ministry on the secular campuses of our country and to strengthen our own institutions of higher education at home and on the mission fields abroad. This we must do. The times demand it. And I am confident that we will fulfill this responsibility.

However, we Congregationalists in Kansas also have a particular responsibility for Doane College. It is a matter of "this ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone." Doane is our Congregational college for the Plains area - Nebraska, Colorado and Kansas. In 1941 our State Conference recognized it as such. Doane is now engaged in a major ef-

fort to strengthen itself. Unless this effort succeeds, Doane must either pass out of existence or become increasingly inadequate to do the job we are counting on it to do.

At its meeting last fall, our Conference Board of Trustees recommended to the churches that "they commend the Greater Doane Development Program to their members and encourage them to participate as individuals in the effort." They also urged our Kansas churches "to make special effort to include Doane College in their annual budgets to the extent of at least fifty cents per member per year."

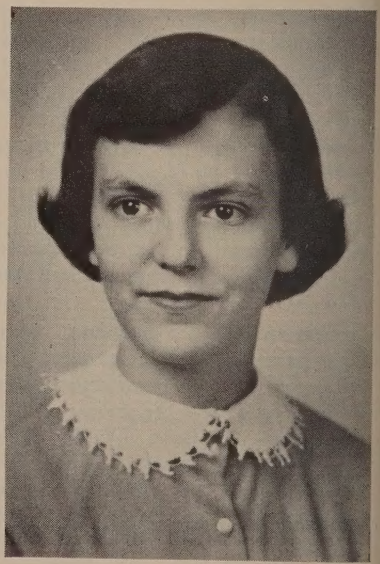
It is imperative that our churches begin to do this. Last year, apart from individual gifts, our conference and churches contributed a total of just over $1,500.00 to Doane. Of this, $750.00 is a gift from the Conference carried in our budget. It is only a token gift, and quite properly so, for the Conference is but the agent of the churches. A few of our churches have included Doane in their annual budgets. We must do more. It is up to the churches to do it. Now is the time for all our churches to include Doane in their budgets. The goal is fifty cents per member. If we can not attain this goal immediately, let us begin by starting with a lower figure, say twenty-five cents per member for the first year, and then move as soon as possible to the higher figure. But let us begin without any further delay to do something significant!

To encourage this participation, the Conference Trustees at their last meeting voted to include what our churches are doing for Doane in the annual statistical reports which are published in "Congregational Kansas."

Spring Conference

On April 11 and 12 Kansas United Student Fellowship met at Wichita Fairmount with the Rev. W. Burnet Easton, Dean of Religious Life at Park College, as Guest Leader. About 35 young people from five Kansas campuses were present for the Conference.

Miss Sibyl Riekenberg of Topeka and K.U., former State Secretary of Kansas P.F., was elected Chairman, Linda Guise of K.U. and Dave Felton of K-State—Vice Chairmen, Evelyn LeGore of Emporia State—Secretary, Claude Singer of Wichita U—Treasurer, and Mary Lou Shelly of Wichita U—Program and Study Chairman. Mrs. Ray Ahrens of Wichita is Adult



Sibyl Riekenberg
New Kansas U.S.F. Chairman

Advisor. Mr. Phil Friedman of Great Bend, retiring Chairman is graduating from K.U. and will be in Seminary at Andover-Newton next year.

Kansas Women's Fellowship

Mrs. Roscoe W. Graves, President

Eastern Association

Growth or recession is the law of life; no one stands still, and judging from the reports I received, Eastern Association did not stand still last year. Of the 29 Fellowships, 27 reported: almost half doing work in all areas, some in all but one. All used the packet in some manner. Several more have changed their name to Women's Fellowship. Sorry to say the 2 areas we fell down in were Missionary Education and Social Action. I hope this year will show all working in the 6 areas.

Mrs. Ada Forbes, President

Southern Association

State Officers have been very active in Southern Association this year with a majority of Women's Fellowships reporting a visit. The strengthening effect of their visits is shown in the reports. Increased concern was shown especially in Christian Social Action, Adventures in Reading, Spiritual Life prayer groups and Bible study, in Family Life programming and the Woman's Gift.

Your association officers are also eager to be of service to you and would be happy to be asked to assist in program planning or even to be a listening guest at one of your meetings. A closer fellowship within the Association results. Our organization reports are fine with representation at Association meeting, State Conference and Retreat.

Congratulations to Wichita Plymouth on the success of its Women's Workshop held Sept. 10 and especially to Mrs. A. J. Venning. They accomplished the dream of giving the women of the 15 churches in the area, the inspiration and help received at the McPherson Retreat. Perhaps this was due to detailed planning, warm friendship, and adequate facilities at Plymouth. We hope they will make this an annual workshop.

All fellowships reported a gratifying Woman's Gift amount, but less than half reported a contribution to their church's OCWM pledge.

In our Friendly Service we have the great opportunity to do as Jesus would have us do. We learned the needs, felt concern and sent our gifts through Friendly Service quotas, but most fellowships did not stop when they had filled their quota.

Next year, let us encourage more of our young people to enter Christian Life Service and I hope each fellowship will contribute to scholarships or Theological schools.

There could be no better project than sending a young family to Estes Family Camp, July 19-25. The payment of the advance registration fee of $10.00 may be the encouragement they need and that family could create a whole new attitude toward church attendance and family life. I speak from the experience of the 1958 Family Camp. Our family of 6 Lockwoods would be most happy to tell your group the advantages of including this camp in your family vacation plans, and show the benefits to sponsoring church groups. We have color slides too. No charge - just ask us.

I urge you to send representatives to the Women's Retreat at Doane College, June 1-4.

Henrietta Lockwood (Mrs. John)
Southern Association President

Western Association Gleanings

From the reports sent in, it is interesting to note the increase in the number of fellowships receiving visits from association and state officers, as well as an occasional national visitor. These guests certainly step up the interest in the local groups. It can be assumed from the reports, that most of our fellowships are still raising money in the old-fashioned ways, rather than by personal monetary gifts.

The popularity of the packets can not be questioned, and the consensus is that they are very satisfactory and helpful in their present form.

The six areas of our work are becoming better undrstood, and most fellowships report activity in all areas.

Summing up the data it can be said that our work is becoming more uniform, consequently more effective, with less duplication, and a very important part of the life of the church.

Grace Eckhart (Mrs. J. H.)

Scholarships Awarded

At the Women's Fellowship meeting at State Conference, scholarships of $300.00 each for the next school year, were awarded to three Kansas men with families who are serving churches while completing their training for the Christian ministry:

Rev. Robert Waters of Towanda
Rev. Merril Grohman of Little River
Rev. Robert M. Rymph of K.C. Ruby

Devotional Services

The June services will be sent to all Presidents and Key Women, in addition to those now on the list. Included for at least one person in each church will be a card to be returned to the Conference Office. The September services will be sent to only those whose names are sent in.

Last Call - Doane Retreat

Registration will begin Monday June 1 at 4:00 P.M.; Adjournment following breakfast on Thursday, June 4. Send $15.00 for each woman who plans to attend, to Mrs. Thomas Gibbons, Registrar, Box 502, Russell, Kansas.

Special Guests

Special guests wil be Mrs. Allen Hackett of St. Louis, Mo., Vice President of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Mrs. Rene Wells of Great Bend, President of United Church Women of Kansas; Mrs. Roscoe Graves, State President; Miss Alice Huggins of Topeka, Missionary of long experience, and Mrs. John W. Gibson of Wichita, world traveler and past state president.

Workshops - Interest Groups

In addition to Workshops on the 6 departments of work, there will be interest groups planned around—

Audio—Visual Aids
Bible Study and Prayer Groups
Administration
Leadership Education
United Church Women
The Book Shop

Bring - Share

Bring your Bible, towel, toothbrush, sweater and comfortable clothing.

Share your Yearbooks, news bulletins and other original Women's Fellowship materials of which you are proud.

There will be a spot to exhibit them.

"SHARE YOUR WARES"

For The Lift of a Lifetime—
Come to Retreat!

E. Gunn,
Retreat Chairman

Senior Camp Guests

Dr. A. Warren Matthews and Mrs. Matthews (Virginia) will be guests at Senior Camp May 31-June 6. Dr. Matthews is Dean of the Chapel and instructor at Doane College.

At Camp he will lead a Quest on "Science and Religion", assist with Christian Action and make special presentations. Mrs. Matthews has a college major in Physical Education and will assist with Recreational Leadership.

Other Camp Staff Changes

Mrs. Margaret Epps has been added to the June 7-13 Junior Hi Staff as Head Counselor of Girls. The Rev. Roy Hanson, new Associate Minister at Topeka First and Marilyn Bell of Lawrence have been added to the June 14-20 Camp. Mrs. Margery Staggs is unable to attend.

No More Girls!

The quota of girls for the Sedgwick Work Camp, June 14-27 is filled, but a few more boys can be used. Send application at once to Rev. Louis Poppe at Whitewater.

P. and T. at Doane

The dates for the Planning and Training Conference at Doane are August 24-27 beginning at 2:00 P.M., on Monday and closing after breakfast on Thursday. The cost of $10.00 per person will include important program materials.

Not For Everyone

The P and T Conference is not a "Mass" meeting; it is not just a trip or a "lark", it is primarily for local officers and sponsors who want to plan and train for leadership in their local P.F.; it is limited to not more than five young people from any one church. Be sure you send only young people and adults who are committed to worship, study and wholesome Christian fellowship.

P. F. Sponsors Urged To Attend

Special sessions for Sponsors of local P.F.'s will be offered under the leadership of Mrs. Carl Georgeson, Conference Assistant in Christian Education.

Thorough planning brings results! Only your best is good enough for Youth Meetings in your Church.

Christian Action

Has your P.F. group sent in its Christian Action pledge for the year? The Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship goal, to be raised by camp is $3300.00.

Ninth Annual - Week Long

LA FORET CONFERENCE

for

MEN AND WOMEN

Cost $35.00

RICH IN INSPIRATION AND FELLOWSHIP

The Dates—August 16-22

Write Conference Office for Details

"OUR WORLD IN MINIATURE"

A picture of mankind's relative shares of material prosperity.
by Henry Smith Leiper

If in imagination we compress the present population of the world, now over two and a half billion, into a group of a thousand persons living in a single town, the following is the picture of contrasts we would then vividly see.

Sixty persons wou'd represent the U. S. population; all others would be represented by 940. The 60 Americans would have half the total income of the entire town: the 940 would share the other half.

Thirty-six of the Americans in the town would be Christian Church members; and 24 would not. In the town as a whole, about 200 would be Christians and 700 would not. At least 80 persons in the whole town would be believing Communists and 370 wou'd be under Communist domination. Possibly 70 in the whole town would be Protestant Christians.

Three hundred and three persons in the whole town would be whites; 697 would be non-white. The 60 Americans would have an average life expectancy of 70 years; all the other 940 would average under 40.

The Americans would have 15½ times as much per person as all the rest on an average. They would produce 16% of the town's total food supp'y, eat up all but 1½% of that total supply and keep most of it for their future use in expensive storage equipment. When it is remembered that most of the 940 non-Americans in the town would always be hungry and never know quite when they would get enough to eat, the situation created by this disparity in food supply and the existence of vast reserves becomes fairly apparent, particularly in view of the fact that the Americans already eat 72% above the optimum food requirements. They could actually save money by giving away excess food because of the cost of storing it: but they think that would be a dangerous "give-away program of soft-headed do gooders."

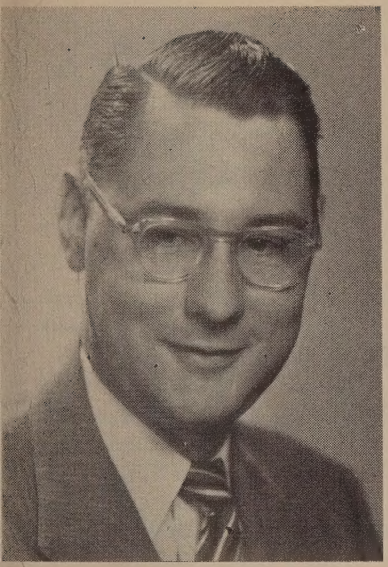
The 60 Americans would have of the town's total supply, 12 times as much electric power as all the rest; 22 times as much coal; 21 times as much petroleum, 50 times as much steel and 50 times as much in general equipment.

The lowest income groups among the 60 Americans would be better off than the average in much of the rest of the town.

Literally most of the non-American people in the town would be poor, hungry, sick and ignorant. Almost half would not be able to read or write.

More than half would never have heard of Christ or what He stood for. But very soon more than half would be hearing about Karl Marx.

In view of these facts, it is interesting to think that the average Christian American FAMILY would be spending $850.00 a year for defense in force, and less than $3.50 a year to share with the rest of the people in the town the knowledge of why there is any Christmas.



Anthony Calls Wisegarver

The Rev. Harald Wisegarver who has served a Congregational Church at Taunton, Mass., for the past three years has been called to our church at Anthony and will begin work there the first of September. Mr. Wisegarver served our Maple Hill Church from 1948-1953 while finishing his work at the Smith Center-Athol parish for three Washburn University. He then served years before taking the church in the east where he took some work at Andover-Newton Theological School.

Mr. and Mrs. Wisegarver (Lois) and daughter Pamela—15, are native Kansans and recently all expressed a strong desire to return to a Kansas parish. Harald candidated at Anthony early in April and received a call which he has accepted.

The Anthony Church has voted to sell their old parsonage and build a new 3 bedroom parsonage which they expect to have completed ready for the Wisegarver's in late August. We welcome them back to Kansas and hope many happy years are in store for them and for the church.

Vogt Resigns

The Rev. Robert Vogt, pastor of our churches at Wakefield and Milford, has resigned to become pastor of a newly formed Mennonite Church in Lincoln, Nebraska. Mr. Vogt served the Wakefield Church while completing work for his degree at Central Baptist Seminary. After graduation he stayed on as pastor of the yoked parish. He has had a fruitful pastorate and will be greatly missed.

Turpin Arrives June 1st

The Rev. Francis E. Turpin of Round Top, N.Y., called to our Gaylord Church last January will arrive in Kansas, June 1st after completing work for his degree at Andover-Newton Seminary. The Turpins have two boys 5 and 3 years of age. His picture and a story appeared in our March magazine.

Resignations

The Rev. Richard Goold has resigned and left the Olive Hill Church.

The Rev. Garland McCalley has resigned at Lincoln.

The Rev. Cecil Currey of our Downs chuch plans to close his ministry there the first of September to return to school working toward a Doctor's Degree.

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Witness In Mexico
Color filmstrip with record.

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Days of Wonder (K-P-J-)
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Tommie Goes To Church School (K-P) Color FS with script

Tommie Visits The Church (K-P)
Color FS with script

God Gave Me Eyes (P)
16 color slides

Our World of Happy Differences (P-J-) Color FS with script

Kathy Meets Some Church Helpers (P-J-) Color FS with script

Christian Living In Our World (P-J-) Color FS with script

Reason For Being (J-A)
Color FS with record

For Thee I Live (P-A)
Color FS with script

Gallery Of Witnesses (Y-A)
FS with record

God's Gifts (K-P)
Color FS with script

God's Wonderful World (P-A)
Color FS with script

Growth In Our Idea of God (P-A)
Color FS with script

And Jesus Said (P-A)
Color FS with script

K-Kindergarten: P-Primary: J-Junior Y-Youth: A-Adults